



STINGER SPORTS

MEN'S SOCCER YEAR IN REVIEW 1985-86

The 1985 Quebec University Athletic Association (QUAA) men's soccer season certainly goes down as a banner one for the Concordia Stingers. Head coach Andy Onorato led his gang of kicksters to the finest year in the program's history. All the club did was win the QUAA and CIAU Eastern Conference titles, coming to within a penalty kick of gaining national championship honors.

Concordia completed regular season play at a 6-0-2 clip, ending the five year reign of the McGill Redmen as QUAA champs. The Stingers also had the unique distinction of ending McGill's incredible 46 game unbeaten streak. Richard Enos' goal in the deciding game of the campaign proved to be the winner in a 2-1 Concordia triumph. And Concordia certainly did it the hard way, playing most of the second half with 10 players as a result of one of its players being ejected. Goalkeeper Alex Polidaro was steady between the pipes, despite being hobbled by a leg injury.

In the CIAU Eastern final Alan Pescatore scored the lone goal at the 18 minute mark as the Stingers blanded the University of Prince Edward Island Panthers 1-0 in Charlottetown.

It was then on to Victoria and date with the University of British Columbia Thunderbirds in the final. In heart-stopping, controversial fashion UBC defeated the Stingers 2-1 in a game decided by sudden-death penalty kicks.

The Thunderbirds' Murray Mollard netted the winning goal in the seventh round of penalty kicks, beating substitute goalie Wolfgang Rosner. Referee Frank Major had ejected Polidaro from the game in the previous round for arguing a ruling the official had made.

Rosner, Enos, Paul Musson and Ethelbert Anthony were selected to the QUAA all-star team; Enos and Musson also gained CIAU honors.